## **IKC Immunization Award/Recognition Program**



The purpose of the Immunize Kansas Coalition is to work together to protect all Kansans from vaccine preventable diseases. The IKC Immunization Award is a public recognition of those organizations, individuals or provides who demonstrate exceptional dedication to our purpose.

- Suggested categories of award include (for future years; Flu champion Only in year 1):
  - Childhood given to an organization, individual or provider that demonstrates exceptional dedication to childhood immunizations
  - Adolescent given to organization, individual or provider that demonstrates exceptional dedication to adolescent immunizations
  - Adult given to organization, individual or provider that demonstrates exceptional dedication to adult immunizations, especially at risk populations, and understands the importance of vaccinating adults
  - Efforts in Influenza given to organization, individual or provider that demonstrates exceptional dedication that to ensuring access to influenza vaccine or provided influenza education to their community members
  - HPV given to organization, individual or provider that demonstrates exceptional dedicated to raising rates of HPV vaccination in Kansas and educating the community about HPV vaccine
  - Physician Champion given to a provider that demonstrates exceptional dedication to immunizations within their practice
  - Innovation given to organization, individual or provider that demonstrates exceptional innovation in developing and executing immunization programs and partnerships
  - Rural given to organization, individual or provider that demonstrates exceptional dedication to ensuring access to immunizations in Kansas rural and frontier communities
  - Pharmacy given to a pharmacy partner that demonstrates exceptional dedication to immunizations to ensure the community is able to access vaccines that otherwise might not be available
  - Media partner given to individual or organization, who demonstrates exceptional dedication to immunizations and furthering the mission of Immunize Kansas through promotion
  - Community partner given to a community organization that demonstrates exceptional dedication to immunizations and furthering the mission of Immunize Kansas through collaboration and partnership
  - Corporate partner given to a corporate partner that demonstrates exceptional dedication to immunizations and furthering the mission of Immunize Kansas through financial or in-kind support
  - Immunization champion given to an individual that demonstrates exceptional dedication to and advocates for immunizations
- Nomination for the awards would be conducted through a self- nomination process either on paper or through a web form
  - Application should include the following:
    - Category of award
    - Organizational contact information
    - Identity of nominator
    - Questions to complete -
      - Asking why the individual/group is deserving of the award
      - Share an immunization success story about the individual/group and their efforts. Specific details or examples should be included, i.e., educational pieces, videos, PSAs, letters, etc.
- Awards could be presented at the Immunization Conference in June.

Note:

- Utah and Nevada have "Silver Syringe" which is open for use as it is not trademarked.
- Utah, Washington and Georgia programs are based from the DOH. Nevada is from Immunize Nevada. Nevada program also includes a fundraiser that directs proceeds to programs and projects they offer throughout the year.